



Program #40050B - Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Floor Housing FY 2024 Proposed

Department: Health Department **Program Contact:** Myque Obiero
Program Offer Type: Existing **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Corrections Health, Multnomah County Detention Center houses 448 adults and is composed of booking, 4th floor special housing, mental health housing and three floors of discipline and evaluation housing. Approximately 100 US Marshall (USM) detainees are housed in the system daily. Over 36,000 individuals are cared for each year with over 50% having serious unstable and chronic health conditions, such as diabetes, kidney failure, infections, alcohol and drug withdrawal, and major mental/behavioral illnesses

Program Description

The core responsibility of Corrections Health is to provide a constitutional and community level of health care (medical, mental health and dental) to the individuals entrusted to our care while incarcerated in the adult detention facilities or the Donald E. Long Detention Center. That care is delivered to a BIPOC population disproportionately involved in the justice system. As health risk and diseases rarely impact all communities equally, the work of Corrections Health addresses the groups disparately impacted. Recruitment and hiring practices have been refined to promote a workforce that more closely resembles the demographics of the population we serve. Further efforts will be made in FY24 to evaluate policies, procedures and practices to ensure that an equity approach is used whenever possible while maintaining appropriate access to essential care.

This offer represents the MCDC 4th floor which is composed of 46 beds, two general and two mental health clinic rooms, one dental operatory, X-ray and lab services as well as 10 mental health and 10 general medical skilled care beds, plus four housing areas for high level discipline inmates. The 4th floor also contains a nursing station, administrative areas and a medication/supplies room. Services such as skilled nursing, IV therapy, and post-surgical care are provided in the jail instead of a high cost hospital. The 4th floor is staffed 24/7 with nursing personnel to provide needed care and emergency medical response. The fourth floor housing unit 4D is acute mental health with 10 beds. Both medical and mental health services are provided to these chronically ill clients. Mental health is managed by a team of mental health nurses, consultants and providers. A mental health Manager and mental health consultants provide support for forensic diversion and other programs, testify in court when appropriate and participate in multidisciplinary team processes to ensure the most appropriate and least restrictive housing is utilized, and that efforts to divert detainees from jail are expedited.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	Average # AIC nursing assessments monthly	800	700	700	800
Outcome	Average active and constant suicide watches per month to prevent AIC injury or death	100	125	120	120

Performance Measures Descriptions

Measure 1: Reflects care delivered on all floors in MCDC and includes both medical and mental health requests.
Measure 2: Tracking both "ACTIVE" and "CONSTANT" suicide watches, captures management of detainees felt to be at risk, better reflecting resource needs

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Necessary health care for incarcerated individuals is a right because they do not have the freedom to obtain care on their own. Appropriate access to care and timely evaluation by a health professional is mandated by the 4th, 8th and 14th amendments. When serious health needs are not adequately addressed by professionals, that deliberate indifference to medical needs may bring harm to individuals entrusted to our care and increase liability for the County. Corrections Health is bound by ethical standards to provide unbiased care to all individuals based on community standards of care.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Personnel	\$1,846,124	\$0	\$2,046,284	\$0
Contractual Services	\$731,748	\$0	\$768,335	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$430,522	\$0	\$463,894	\$0
Internal Services	\$420,913	\$0	\$383,969	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$3,429,307	\$0	\$3,662,482	\$0
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Program FTE	10.30	0.00	9.90	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

As a result of the current laws that govern the responsibilities of governmental agencies in the care of detained individuals, Corrections Health is unable to bill for services from Medicare and Medicaid. These rules and laws are under review nationally to determine if additional revenue sources can be made available to jails. Provider assessments, treatments, screenings, diagnostic tests and communicable diseases tests are performed at no charge. Medications are provided at no charge. Necessary clinical care is provided regardless of the detainee's ability to pay.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2023: 40050B Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Floor Housing

Reduced 2 CHN positions from 0.80 FTE to 0.60 FTE. These requests were made by staff to prevent burnout.